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"AN ACT REVISING CERTAIN ELECTIONS AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATUTES AND CONCERNING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS BY PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTMENT FIRMS DOING BUSINESS WITH THE STATE TREASURER AND MEETINGS OF CAUCUSES UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT."

- 1 After line 677, insert the following:
- 2 "Sec. 18. Subsection (b) of section 9-333b of the general statutes is
- 3 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 4 1, 2002):
- 5 (b) As used in this chapter, "contribution" does not mean:
- 6 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a national or state bank;
- 8 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or
- 9 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or
- 10 administrative personnel, or their families;

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11 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns 12 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members, 13 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their 14 families;

- 15 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering 16 their time;
 - (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations, food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any calendar year;
 - (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;
 - (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an individual who on [his] the individual's own behalf volunteers [his] the individual's personal services to any single candidate to the extent the cumulative value does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central or town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;
- (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to

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any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing the names of three or more candidates;

- (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not exceed fifty dollars;
- 50 [(10) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the 51 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair, provided the 52 cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty 53 dollars from any single candidate or his committee with respect to any 54 single election campaign or two hundred fifty dollars from any single 55 party committee or other political committee in any calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for purchases by any 56 57 other person;]
- 58 [(11)] (10) The payment of money by a candidate to [his] the candidate's candidate committee;
- [(12)] (11) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one hundred dollars;
- [(13)] (12) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, <u>as amended</u>, for telecommunications service for a committee, provided the security deposit is refunded to the individual; or
 - [(14)] (13) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and managerial support, and broadcast time by a community antenna television company, as defined in section 16-1, as amended, for community access programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to influence the nomination or election of a candidate, or

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74 (B) such facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf

75 of a political party."